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ETHER RESIN

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the September 16, 2002 Office Communication, please enter and consider the following amendment and remarks. Submitted herewith as Appendix A is a *Marked up Version of The Amendments to The Claims*.

**AMENDMENT**

**In The Claims:**

Please amend claims 1 and 7 as follows:

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1 B  
1.(Amended) A modified polyphenylene ether resin which is a reaction product of 100 parts by weight of (A) a polyphenylene ether having a main chain structure of the following formula (1):